FORM PTO-1083

PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 305334

Date: July 28, 2003

In re Application of: Gridley et al. 09/491,661 Application No.

Filed: Foc

January 27, 2000

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREPARING TIRE TREAD FOR A RETREAD TIRE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.

☐ Applicants claim small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.

Petition for Extension of Time Applicants petition for a two-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee for which is \$410.00 (enclosed).

Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.

No additional claim fee is required.

☐ Other:

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

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| TOTAL | 19 | Minus | 21 | = | 0 | x 9= | \$0.00 | x 18= | \$0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT | 2 | MINUS | 3 | = | 0 | x 42= | \$0.00 | x 84= | \$0.00 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE CLAIM | | | | | | + 140= | \$0.00 | + 280= | \$0.00 |
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☑ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the amount of \$410.00. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

is attached. ☐ A check in the amount of \$

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

Any patient application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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